## **DECLARATION**

As a below named inventor, I declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: AUTOMATED CENTERLINE DETECTION ALGORITHM FOR COLON-LIKE 3D SURFACES the specification of which was filed on December 18, 2002 as International Application No. PCT/US02/40641, U.S. Application No. 10/500,342 and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56. I claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

## Prior Foreign Application(s)

į	Country	Application No.	Date of Filing	Priority Claimed Under 35 USC 119
	PCT	PCT/US02/40641	December 18, 2002	Yes

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

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